Chet Holifield Federal Building Bi-Weekly Tenant Update July 27, 2016

Air sample testing results at the Chet Holifield Federal Building continue to be below permissible exposure levels.

ITEMS COMPLETED SINCE JULY 13, 2016 UPDATE:

FOH Air Sampling Report

As referenced in the Chet Holifield Federal Building Bi-Weekly Tenant Update, dated July 13, 2016, the Federal Occupational Health (FOH) issued its full Asbestos Air Sampling report for the Federal Building on July 22, 2016. The report was shared on a separate email correspondence.

Department of Homeland Security-Citizenship and Immigration Service File Room GSA contracted with Argus Contracting, an ACM Contractor, to clean and install new return air grills with pre-filters in the Department of Homeland Security-Citizenship and Immigration Service file room located in the first floor southwest quadrant. The work started on Thursday, July 8, 2016 and was completed on July 14, 2016. The work was monitored and cleared for occupancy by H2 Environmental Consulting Services, Inc., a third party environmental company.

TOWN HALL:

GSA, in partnership with FOH, held two town halls on July 26th to address tenant questions and concerns. Two additional sessions are scheduled for July 27th: one was at 9:00 am and the last session is at 2:00 pm.

The event is open to all agency employees. It will be held on the first floor in Room 1555.

UPCOMING PROJECTS:

- Repair or replacement of broken ceiling tiles GSA awarded the contract to Argus Contracting (Remediation Contractor) and work is anticipated to be completed over the next few months. Suite 3355 has been completed. Scheduling of the next area is in progress. Specialty ceiling tiles required for some areas have been ordered and delivery is expected early August.
- Abatement of 28,227 square feet of Department of Homeland Security-Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS) space located on the southwest corner of the first floor. GSA awarded the contract to J. Davis Construction (8a Contractor). The contractor is in the process of submitting the required

- plans, drawings, and schedule. The removal of the asbestos in this area is projected to start in September 2016. Once removal is complete, work will continue with the USCIS Refresh Project. The completion of the entire project is estimated to be in mid December.
- GSA has requested proposals for: asbestos removal from the first floor ceiling deck above service elevators #5 and #6 (elevators currently out of service), clean up of vacant area in the northeast quadrant of the first floor, cleaning of two air handler rooms, and ceiling enclosures around roll-up doors on the east side loading dock. It is anticipated that the contract will be awarded in early August. Priority will be given to the work above the elevators in order to put them back into operation as soon as the asbestos removal is complete. Completion of all work is projected to be mid September.

AGENCY NOTIFICATIONS:

As a reminder, agency representatives must contact GSA Building Facility Asbestos Control Manager, Samantha Shintaku at <u>949-360-2033</u> or <u>samantha.shintaku@gsa.gov</u>, prior to performing work in the building. Agencies must follow all required procedures and regulations when performing work in the building.

In order to adhere to the Asbestos Containing Materials Operation and Maintenance Plan and to ensure the safety of the building tenants, all agencies must coordinate through and consult with GSA prior to performing any additional environmental testing in tenant controlled space. However, no further testing or investigation is allowed above the ceiling anywhere in the building unless authorized by GSA in writing. Ceiling tiles are not to be opened, removed or moved in any manner in order to prevent disturbing potential asbestos containing materials above the ceiling. Please ensure all employees are informed of this policy.

All test results can be reviewed in the GSA Field Office upon request.